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As a consumer interested in protecting competition, innovation, and legitimate use of cable TV content, I urge you to refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1) by NCTA, Charter, Verizon, and all other cable providers. The FCC's "integration ban," which in effect requires cable companies to integrate CableCARDs into their own set-top boxes, remains good policy today.

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By adopting content protection limits ("encoding rules") in docket no. 97-80, the Commission recognized the importance of allowing consumers to make certain uses of TV content, regardless of a particular cable provider's or copyright holder's wishes. With competition spurred on by the integration ban, consumers would have the freedom to choose the least restrictive cable-compatible device available. The CableCARD standard already prescribes restrictions that harm consumers by limiting non-infringing uses, and such restrictions will get even worse if cable providers' set-top boxes are unchecked by competition.

Please refuse requests for waivers of 47 CFR 76.1204(a)(1).

Sincerely,

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I support the cable companies' right to encrypt their TV signal and have it decrypted on site for their paying customers. However, the whole point of cablecard is to provide customers choice in how that signal is decrypted. Some customers don't want to have a cable box. Others want to use a particular brand of cable box. Others, like me, want to be able to watch TV on their computers. These are called home theatre PCs. The problem with putting cable companies in charge of the cablecard standard is that they don't want it to be successful and they don't want to provide choice to consumers like me.

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